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DEVICE AND SYSTEM)

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Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the examination, please amend this application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph at page 1, line 5, with the following:

This application is a continuation application of U.S. Application No. 09/738,590, filed December 15, 2000, and is a Continuation-In-Part Application of U.S. Application No. 09/970,195, filed October 2, 2001, which is a continuation of U.S. Application No. 09/579,765, filed May 26, 2000, which is a divisional of U.S. Application No. 09/133,310, filed on August 12, 1998, now issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,240,321, the specifications of all of which are incorporated herein by reference.